

Volunteer Peabody Demonstration School

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College President Speaks To Student Body

"Any person that refuses to face a difficulty has forever lost an opportunity for growth," stated Dr. Henry Hill, president of Peabody College in a recent address to the student body. Dr. Hill spoke on the morals of the younger generation and the difficulties that are now facing it.

As president of Peabody, Dr. Hill knows well the problems of today's youth. He is well equipped to deal with these problems as he has spent time as a public school administrator.

Because of the world situation today, the student body was most appreciative of his remarks.

Preceding Dr. Hill, the school was entertained by two short selections from the Madrigals.

Father-Son Banquet Great Success

Turkey and all the trimmings opened Peabody's annual Father-Son Banquet. The dinner, which was excellently prepared by the cafeteria staff, was served by Peabody's comely cheerleaders. Dr. St. John served as toastmaster for the occasion.

Dr. James Ward, professor of Economics at Peabody Col-
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Noted Journalist Speaks To Senior Newspapermen

Top feature writer of the Nashville Tennessean Sunday Magazine, Mr. Bill Woolsey, spoke recently to the first section of senior English. He spoke on how to improve the qualities of the school newspaper by making better use of the materials at hand. He stated that the best qualities a news writer could possess were an inquisitive mind, the ability to write, and the want to let others know what was going on.

As the class was just finishing a unit on the make up of a newspaper, Mr. Woolsey's talk was highly appreciated by all who heard him.



Seniors Catch Possum

Where were the seniors when the 'possum was captured? Even the senior class would like an answer to this riddle; because as the class wandered through Hillwood Farm, Bob Ward, Don Goodwin, and David Criley lost the hunter and led the class through tortuous trails to far-off Charlotte Pike.

The 'possum waited patiently in a tree in Margaret Tritchler's back yard until big-game-hunting seniors finally closed in for the kill. Hot dogs and donuts provided sustenance for the weary hunters and "Possum Senior No. 3".

K. U.

Peabody Holds Annual Carol Service

The strains of the Gregorian carol "O Come, O Come Emanuel" will be heard as the processional introduces the annual Christmas program on the morning of December 14 at 11:00.

Taking part in the singing will be the elementary school, grades two through six; the seventh and eighth grade glee clubs; and the high school chorus and madrigalians. The program will consist of old well-loved carols: "Silent Night", "Hark the Herald Angels Sing", "Away in a Manger", and "Joy to the World." Others not as familiar will be "Christmas Hymn", "As Lately We Watched", "He Is Born", "Sing Noel", and "Bye Low". The elementary school will present a choral reading of the Christmas story from St. Luke.

The auditorium stage will be decorated in the spirit of Christmas by Mrs. Tibbott. Miss Viola Boekelheide, Miss Evelyn Messmore, and Mr. Charles Bryan are the musical directors who have devoted their time and energy toward making the program a success.

Banquet

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lege, delivered the main address of the evening. Using as his theme Edwin Markham's poem, "Shoes of Happiness", he spoke on the morals of the younger generation and how to choose one's vocation wisely.

The Madrigals entertained with the Russian Folk song "Minka" and the ever popular "Carousel". Walter Courtenay and his string band completed the entertainment, and on behalf of the boys present, Gareth Griffin said the "thank-yous" for a most enjoyable evening.

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Tomorrow's Leaders Look At Today's World

"Tomorrow's Leaders Look at Today's World" was the theme of the 1951 Southern Association of Student Councils Convention. In carrying out the plans and programs of the meeting, "tomorrow's leaders" took time out for a good look at "today's world", time out to really think about their place in it.

Not too cheerful a picture greeted them as they contemplated events to come. A picture of a fearful world hung before them - a picture framed by uncertainty, a picture in which the background scene was destruction and the foreground feature war, a picture painted in red, blood red.

Painted by pessimism, their picture is not a pretty one; still, it must be faced. The answer of the youth cannot be to let fear and uncertainty undermine their strength. They must realize that theirs is not the only troubled time in history. There has never been a period in which war and social upheaval have not stood as barriers to progress - and still the world has kept turning.

Dark and threatening as the picture may be, nevertheless, today is a new day. The youth are strong and able; they have strength and courage; they know what is right. They must and shall face their world - today's and tomorrow's - with faith in themselves and in God.

May Werthan

After Graduation- What?

Many seniors are considering the question After graduation, what? Should I go to college or get a job? Whether or not to go to college has always been an issue and is now more than ever in the world wide unsettlement and rising costs of living.

Recently at school there have been representatives from Bryn Mawr, University of Chicago, University of Tennessee, Sarah Lawrence, Radcliff, Vanderbilt, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Stephens, who have talked to Peabody seniors explaining the particularly good points of their respective institutions and also the advantages of a college education.

Of course the main purpose of a college education is to prepare one for a special field of service. A college degree will make it easier to find a satisfactory enjoyable job.

Aside from the educational aspect is the knowledge one acquires that cannot be obtained from text books. At college many a person forms new and lasting friendships. Especially, if the college is located away from home, these friendships can be world wide. From the experience of four years of college life, a person is better prepared for the future, gains a better knowledge of himself and his environment, and a greater understanding of life. College life has responsibilities and obligations to be met which help to mold character and personality.

Certainly the advantages of attending college are great enough to warrant everyone's attention.

Elizabeth Boyce

The Spirit of Christmas

There is something about Christmas that makes it different from any other day of the year. It is a small child awakening on Christmas morning to hurry downstairs to see what Santa Claus brought him. It is a mother buying Christmas presents

The S.A.S.C. Convention

Although the trip to Shreveport began on a sour note because we had to get up at three o'clock that Wednesday morning, once we became conscious we were able to amuse Dr. McCharen with all the standard pastimes of little children on long trips. We played "Parlor" games, sang songs, told jokes, fought, discussed and solved the problems of the world, and, first, last, and always, we ate.

We arrived in Shreveport, checked in at Byrd High School, the host school of the convention, and then went to the homes in which we satyed during our sojourn. Although a mixer was held Wednesday night, the convention did not begin in earnest until Thursday morning. This first meeting was preceded, as were all the other meetings of the convention, by a session of singing state songs and "Dixie", and giving "that old rebel yell".

The business part of the convention consisted of three meetings and two discussion group sessions. The entertainment included a mixer, a barbecue supper and movie, a variety show, and on Friday night, the Plantation Party. At the latter, each state gave a skit. The Tennessee skit consisted of several scenes from the Kefauver crime investigations, and two song parodies written by May.

We left Shreveport early Saturday morning and arrived in Nashville about midnight. We feel that we learned many constructive things with which to better our S.A.C. We also had a good time and made many new friends. In fact, to borrow a word from Gareth, all of us - May, Gareth, Jimmy, and I - thought the trip was simply "fabulous".

Mary Jim Russell

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for her children. It is men forgetting their differences and joining to celebrate. It is a night in a stable in Bethlehem many years ago.

M.J.R.



The Mexicans and I

While traveling through Mexico this past summer, I was fascinated not only by the beauty of the country, but by the Mexicans themselves.

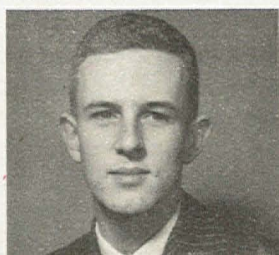
Mexicans living in the town of Tamazunchale, which is located on the first ridge of mountains between the Tropic of Cancer and Mexico City, had never seen a wheel until just a few years ago. Most of the people living there are indians and many of them still speak Aztec. Missionaries in that area have been teaching the Indians to speak Mexican.

Nearing Mexico City, we saw many Indians farming. They use the most primitive methods imaginable, employing oxen and wooden plows to cultivate the mountainside. A farmer will tie a rope around his waist and fasten the other end of the rope to a bush or small tree. Then he lowers himself to the small patch of ground he is farming and goes to work. Corn growing out of practically vertical ground is a peculiar sight!

At Acapulco on the Pacific Ocean we found another type of Mexican. Most of them were fishermen and did not care about the hundreds of tourists from all over the world who flocked into that beautiful place. The boys of Acapulco took pride in their ability to dive into the bay from the high places. They climb up on cliffs about fifty or seventy-five feet above the water and stand for several minutes, watching the waves rise and fall beneath them. Then just as the wave is out and there is nothing but bare rock below them, they dive. By the time they hit, another wave has just rolled in and they have about ten feet of water in which to straighten out.

Profiles

If a person chances to be walking around the halls a few minutes after school, he undoubtedly sees a familiar face somewhere around the building carrying a long bassoon or a clarinet. This person is Charles Edgar Little McCary (Carlos at school), P.D.S.'s only member of the Nashville Symphony Orchestra. For many years Carlos has been playing the clarinet in the Demonstration school band, in



small groups, and as a soloist. Last year he started playing the bassoon in earnest and soon became a bassoonist in the Nashville Symphony.

In school activities also Carlos is distinguished, for he is the only member in school of the now non-existent Erosophian society. In 1949 he served as the president of his Freshman class.

As the president of the Tennessee House of Young Churchmen in the Episcopal Church, Carlos is widely known. He is very much interested in church work and wants to become a minister. After he has studied a few years at Vanderbilt, he hopes to go to England to be trained for the ministry. He has great ambitions for his life's work. As the story goes, he told Dr. Fink he wanted to take third year Latin because he might like to translate the Bible some day.

Marsna Thomas - I don't know, Cary. Let me wake up in the morning and tell you.
 Shirley Jakes - (Billy Albright answered for her.)
 Jake's Tavern and bubble dancers!
 Larry Fagan - Let's see. How I hate to go to school.
 Gloria McMurray - Bill!
 Cary Hunt

Famous First Words

Personalities certainly are revealed in answers to questions, aren't they? Question - What do you hate most?

Jean Pierce - Washing my hair.

Genette Sain - Not having a date!

Billy Albright - People like you who ask stupid questions.

David Venrick - Being chased by East boys with beer bottles!

Peg Fuson - Do you really want an answer?

Mrs. Lyons - The noise in the Dem. School.

Anne Claire Crowe - Wrestling matches and Mildred Burke!

Adrian Zager - I don't know. Come here. Wait a minute!

Marcelle Holmes - Flirts!

Virginia Gooch - Oh, gosh, er - before I answer that, what do you mean?

Jerry Klein - Women! (Ha!)

Jeanne Walker - People who write down stuff when I tell them not to.

Dr. Holden - Hard work!

Beverly Silverman - Can it be a school subject?

My next question was this: What do you want to be (or be doing) ten years from now?

Walter Helm - Shoot, I don't know.

Jane Glasgow - Modeling in New York.

Jay Crouch - Heaven knows. I'll probably be dead.

Barbara Bright - Married with a family.

Anne DePierri - Unmarried and traveling.

Don Follis - Rich!

Julian Zander - Ten years from now? Nothing!

Mary Jim Russell - I'm trying to think of something intelligent sounding to tell you.

Shirley Jakes - Married with ten children!

Mrs. Kennamer - You wouldn't believe me if I told you.

Barry Miller - I'll tell you ten years from now.

I concluded with this: What's the first thing you think about in the morning?

Mike Tippens - Heck, I'm not going to answer that!

Mrs. Shane - I must confess I don't think very much. I'm too groggy.

Louis Barton - Whether I've got my homework.

"A Candle in Every Window,
A Carol at Every Door"

Nashville's first social worker, independent of church associations, was a large, blue-eyed woman whose snow white hair added a motherly look to her. This was Fannie Battle, born in Nolensville in the early 1800's.

It was not until after the Civil War that she founded the Fannie Battle Day Home, which after moving several times, is now located on South Fourth Street and accomodates 72 children.

As one Christmas was drawing near, more than 25 years ago, it was discovered that there was only seventy-two cents in the treasury. An effective project for building up the treasury was carrolling before candle lighted windows. More than \$72 was collected.

"A Candle in Every Window, A Carol at Every Door" is again the theme for this Christmas season when choirs, young people, and adults participate in the city wide carol singing to raise money for the home.

Anyone desiring further information please contact Mrs. David S. Huggins, Jr. at 9-1781.

The Christmas Spirit

Down the Corridors,
Through the halls,
Blow the greetings,
Of Christmas calls.

Jane and John
And Judy and Alice
Feel like Santas
In the schoolyard palace.

Greet your teachers
With presents like this,
"My homework is done,
Not a one did I miss!"

Follow this method,
And see your grades sail;
Then, dear liar,
You're bound to fail!

Carolyn Clark

Feliz Natal

Zalig Kerstfeest

Joyeux Noël

News Feature Of The Week

Nashville, Tenn. Peabody Demonstration School, Nov. 5 (PU) Dr. B. S. "Sherlock" Holden has been engaged in probing the obviously subversive activities of Communist espionage agents here. Holden, a renowned history teacher, a shrewd observer of human behavior, as well as lock and keyhole expert, reports that after several days he began to notice that ropes, men, bricks, and cement were being hoisted past his second floor studio window. He began to be suspicious of the sullen attitudes of the men while endeavoring to enlist their services to move the north wall of his classroom so that the electric socket in it might reach the plug to his desk model TV set. Says Holden, "These Commies on the roof are just a bunch of chisellers, but you've got to admit, they really know the ropes."

Holden is author of the well-known best seller entitled "The School and I", or, "Of Human Bondage".

C. E. L. McC.

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Nashville Celebrates Holiday
Season By Attending
Broadway Musicals and
Ballets

The holiday season is buzzing in Nashville not only in its gay spirit but also in the arts. Earlier this month Handel's Messiah was given with Dr. Irving Wolfe from Peabody's music department conducting.

Shortly before and after Christmas Nashville will be showing its holiday spirit by attending two Broadway musicals which will be given at Ryman Auditorium. The first is "Oklahoma" on December 17, 18, and 19, and the second, "Kiss Me Kate" on January 2 and 3.

As a kind of anticlimax to the holiday season two ballet companies will be presented in Nashville in January: The Ballet Theater on January 22 and the Sadler Wells Theater Ballet on January 31.

Marie ten Hoor

Trimming The Christmas Tree
from "The Christmas Tree"
by Geraldine Gordon

Long, long ago, before Christ was born, there were men living in Britain and northern Europe to whom winter meant endless cold and danger. Naturally these men looked forward to every indication of spring and warmer days. How better to celebrate the passing of the longest night than to bring a large evergreen out of the forest and set it ablaze? This was a signal to Freyn, the goddess of spring; and the coming of longer, warmer days meant that she had received their signal and was rewarding them. Later when the Christian missionaries came, they marveled at this custom, celebrated at the time of Christ's birthday.

That is the history of our Christmas tree. At the top, just below the Christmas angel, following the ancients, we hang the gold ball of the sun, the silver ball of the moon, and the stars, all of which they revered. Next we add four reindeer which feed on the branches and indicate the passing of the seasons. There can also be twelve smaller reindeer which stand for the twelve months. Figures of the camels, the Magi, the ox, the shepherd's dog, the raven, the lamb, and the fish, symbol of Christ's name, are used to represent the Christmas story. Flowers and fruits are added because, it is said, on the first Christmas the trees bore fruit and the flowers bloomed. So the tree is a combination of both ancient and Christmas lore, and no Christmas is complete without it.

E. B.

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OFF SIDES IN SPORTS



Jimmy Todd Staff photo

Sudduth Wins Swimming Meet

Scottie Sudduth won the swimming meet sponsored by the Athleter Club downstairs in the swimming pool. Sudduth won all the races in which he was entered. Louis Vodopya was second with two firsts and a second. Between the two of them, they won the meet for the Sophomore class.

Jimmy Todd and Peter Yoder also put in good performances to win the second place for the Freshman class. Peter Yoder was outstanding in the feat of swimming more than twice the length of the pool.

The Meaning of Christmas

"What think ye of this Child Divine?"

Thus spake the good Gaspard
As he, of three, a Wise Man
stood
Before the infant Lord.

Now did you ever stop to
think
Why all this great ado?
Why all the yearly gifts
and song
And what it means to you?

It means just this, no less,
yet more,
And all should turn to heed
The tale of Christ, the Son
of God,
Of Abraham, the seed.

In that blest land of Israel
Two thousand years ago,
He, of whom the prophets
spake,
Came down to us below.

C.E.L. McC.

Girls Open With Victory

The girls' bowling team scored its first victory in the Youth Incorporated Interscholastic League by defeating one of the two teams from West.

Sara Ann Elliot was the high bowler for the opening contest. Captain Nancy Burkitt, Mary Virginia Wilson, Sue Bomar, and Margaret Tritschler are the remaining members of the team.

One girl will alternate each week by the plan that the low scorer does not play the following week.

N.B.

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With The Class Of '51

Christmas vacation will bring the class of 1951 back to Nashville: Betsy May, a Wellesley gal; Clementina Kuhlman of Radcliffe; Yale's Morton Lebeck; Thomas Woodward, a Harvard man; Pauline Gilbert from Wheaton; Joan Harap from Antioch; Hall Brooks from Sewanné; Karrene Payne and Stanley Goldberg from U.T.; Harold Pauer of St. John's and Brownie Morgan from Blue Mountain.

Jimmy Pedigo, Carolyn Peterson, JoJo Finney, John Hanson, Janie Lee, James Patrick, Chang Moon Bek, Loretta Murley, and John Nixon who are Vandyites will greet their old classmates.

When exams are over at Peabody College, Merrill Moore, Barbara Gore, Frankie Gooch, Ann Cole, Carolyn Payne, Jimmy Cox, Bill Glen, Bill Litterer, Carlos Hidalgo, and Beverly Gooch will make merry.

Sam Shannon is a post-graduate at Duncan; Charles Wheeler is a student at Transylvania; Rosalyn Newport is at home attending the University of Wichita.

Olaf Grobel is studying at a music conservatory in Oslo Sweden.

N.B.

Burkitt Takes Lead Again

Nancy Burkitt's team is currently dominating the girls' intramural league with a long string of victories. Already having won the soccer tourney with a 6-0 record, her girls are now leading the volleyball race with two wins and one loss.

Volleyball scores are:
Clemmons, 32 - Burkitt, 31
Burkitt, 44 - Tritschler, 17
Tritschler, 29 - Clemmons, 28
Burkitt, 51 - Clemmons, 30

Enthusiastic participation by the thirty-six team members has featured the intramural season, and outstanding play by Peggy Armstrong, Mary Mike Tippens, Jeannette Sain, and Priscilla Fitzgerald indicate the increasing skill which the players are acquiring.

The Girls' Athletic Council, under the guidance of "Teach" Huggins, promises a thrilling basketball season beginning January 2.



Feliz Navidad

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A Lesson in Percentage

100%	-	I did
90%	-	I will
80%	-	I can
70%	-	I think I can
60%	-	I might
50%	-	I think I might
40%	-	What is it?
30%	-	I wish I could
20%	-	I don't know how
10%	-	I can't
0%	-	I won't



DEMON

Hi, kids! Once again holidays are here, so be on the look-out for mistletoe, gals, and surprise them! Dances and parties galore are on the docket for all of us after examinations. The ole Maxwell House will look as if it is in ante-bellum days when the hoop-skirted misses and their escorts arrive to make festivities at the Delta Sig, Kappa, Alpha Chi, or LBT dances. The girls in PLS presented their newly-acquired members at a beautiful ball.

The seniors will continue their annual custom of singing Christmas carols for the Fannie Battle Day Home. David Venrick, Consuelo Hidalgo, Peggy Giddings, Charlie McCary, Donald Goodwin, and Marie ten Hoor will be downtown to carol. On Christmas Eve, Don Follis, May Werthan, Mary Jim Russell, Ed Davis, Betty Clemmons, and Ken Umbehoeker will sing and later gather 'round a Yuletide log to eat popcorn.

Carol Clark, Peter Yoder, Lynne Dwight, Withers Potts, John Beauchamp, Elena Harap, Marshall Frazer, John Hines, Clara St. John, and Leslie Moore were some of the frosh who gathered at the Sain's swimming house where Genette and Helen Burkitt were hosting a party for their class. Jimmy Cassidy, it seems, preferred to dance with a shoe!

The high school cheering squad donned aprons to serve at the Father-Son Banquet. They're Peggy Dale, Joan Werthan, Ann Eskin, Sue Bomar, Betsy Boatman, Genette Sain, and Shirley Jakes. The Madrigals and Walter Courtenay's band supplied the music.

Edward Davis gets around! A Vanderbilt freshman may be the reason that Jane Cary plans not to go home so frequently after Christmas. Beverly Carter is one gay gal. The reason is simple. A familiar line by now.

"Dicky (Morgan) is coming home for Christmas." He is in UNAF.

Just one question: pretty please, David.

What is this we are hearing, Jeanne, about your friend? Our source has it that he is in the Air Force.

Do you know what a doughnut said to a huge Christmas cake? "Well, if I only had half the dough that you have, I'd surely not be hanging around this old hole."

Margaret Tritschler's was the destination of the dolls and guys in the senior class the first of December. Seen in Hillwood Estates were: Miss Mac, Buddy Wilkins, Richard Bell, Anita Mitchell, Elizabeth Boyce, Bob Ward, Gareth Griffin, Consuelo Hidalgo, and David Criley who were looking for a possum trail. Unfortunately, the only trail they did come to was that one known as the Charlotte Pike. The man and his dog caught the only possum. The next Monday morning "Senior Possum Number 8" was displayed in the lobby.

After books have been put away for the holidays, Sandy Williams will hurry to the Harap's where she and Eileen will host a party. Steve Riven, McNeil Stokes, Barbara Fite, Camille Harrison, John Egbert, Charles Mann, Jackie Dewitt, and Ben Rowan entering the season's mood will sing and dance to Christmas tunes under the branches of a giant glittering tree.

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Don Follis: "Wish I had the money it takes to buy an elephant?"

Dr. Holden: "Why do you want an elephant?"

Don Follis: "I don't, I just want to have that much money."

Oh! Speaking of elephants, the other day Dr. Beauchamp told his science class that last year five thousand elephants went to make pianoes. Scottie Suduth still cannot understand how such big animals can be taught to do tedious work like that.

Familiar two-somes around school are: Priscilla Fitzgerald, Elkin Webb; Imogene Book, Charles Bramwell; Emily Loveman, Jim Wright; Don Follis, Billie Sue Medearis; and Betsy Boatman, Webber Parrish.

Meryl Lewis has been making trips to Lebanon lately. No doubt, her interest is in the form of a Heights Cadet.

Barbara Bright is a lucky one. During the holidays she is going to California where she will bask in the sun and see the sights.

Christmas Time

Christmas is a time for giving
 Gifts of sacrifice and love;
 Christmas is a time for worship,
 Worship of our God above.
 Christmas is a time for living
 Lives of beauty, rich and rare;
 Christmas is a time for sharing
 God's love with people everywhere.

Sue Bomar

Christmas Treat

Christmas is almost here and now is the time to play records of holiday tunes. Fred Waring, Dick Haymes, and Mario Lanza albums have been released lately. These records and other recent recordings are now at the Young Moderns' Den. All books and platters may be checked out. Some afternoon after Christmas shopping, stop by the Den for a coke and a moment's rest. You will have to pay for the coke, of course, but the other services are free.